

## IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (currently amended) A method of generating an authorization status list, comprising:

generating a run-length encoded representation of an authorization status of a number of devices;

storing the representation in the authorization status list by indicating the number of devices in each of said ranges for each of a number of ranges of devices, the devices in a particular range having a same authorization status.

2. (currently amended) The method of claim 1, comprising ~~generating the representation by indicating, for each of a number of ranges of devices, the devices in a particular range having a same authorization status, the number of~~ indicating the authorization status shared by the devices in each of said ranges in the authorization status list for each of said ranges.

3. (currently amended) The method of claim 1 ~~[[2]]~~, comprising indicating boundary of said ranges in the authorization status list ~~for each of said ranges the authorization status shared by the devices in each of said ranges.~~

4. (currently amended) The method of claim 2 ~~or 3~~, comprising indicating in the authorization status list a boundary of said ranges a device identifier as a boundary.

5. (canceled)

6. (currently amended) The method of ~~any previous claim,~~ comprising ~~generating the representation by indicating, for a first range of devices, the devices in the first range having a same first authorization status, the number of devices in the first range, and, for a second range of devices, the devices in the second range having a same second authorization status, the number of devices in the second range~~ claim 5, wherein the second range is successive to the first range and the first authorization status differs from the second authorization status.

7. (currently amended) The method of claim 6, ~~the second range being successive to the first range and the first authorization status differing from the second authorization status~~ 5, comprising omitting a further range if the further range is of a predetermined length.

8. (currently amended) The method of claim 6, ~~comprising omitting a further range if the further range is of a~~ 7, wherein the predetermined length equals one.

9. (currently amended) The method of claim 8, ~~in which~~ 7, comprising indicating in the authorization status list the predetermined length equals one.

10. (currently amended) The method of claim ~~[[8]]~~1, comprising indicating in the authorization status list ~~the predetermined length~~ a number of bits used to indicate the number of devices in each of said ranges.

11. (currently amended) The method of claim 2, comprising indicating in the authorization status list ~~a number of bits used to indicate the number of devices in each of said ranges~~ version number and/or a creation date.

12. (currently amended) The method of ~~any previous~~ claim 1, comprising ~~indicating in~~ transmitting the authorization status list ~~a version number and/or a creation date~~ to a device for verifying its authorization status or of a further device.

13. (currently amended) The method of ~~any previous claim 1,~~  
~~comprising transmitting the authorization status list to a device~~  
~~for enabling the device to verify the authorization status of~~  
~~itself or of a further device~~ recording the authorization status  
list on a storage medium.

14. (currently amended) The method of ~~any previous claim,~~claim  
13, comprising recording the authorization status list ~~on a~~ in a  
fixed data area of a rewritable storage medium.

15. (currently amended) The method of claim ~~14,~~13, comprising  
recording the authorization status list in a rewritable area of a  
rewritable storage medium and recording a cryptographic summary of  
the authorization status list in a fixed data area of a said  
rewritable storage medium.

16. (currently amended) ~~The method of claim 14, comprising~~  
~~recording the authorization status list in a rewritable area of a~~  
~~rewritable storage medium and recording a cryptographic summary of~~  
~~the authorization status list in a fixed data area of said~~  
~~rewritable storage medium~~ A device arranged for executing the  
method of claim 1.

17. (currently amended) A computer program for causing a processor to execute the method of claim 1.

18. (currently amended) ~~A computer program for causing a processor to execute~~ source device arranged for authorizing an operation by a sink device, the source device comprising authorization status checking means for verifying the authorization status of the sink device using an authorization status list as produced by the method of claim 1.

19. (currently amended) ~~A source device (410) arranged for authorizing an operation by a sink device (400), the source device comprising authorization status checking means (415) for verifying the authorization status of the sink device using~~ record carrier on which there is recorded ~~an authorization status list as produced by the method of claim 1.~~

20. (currently amended) ~~A~~ The ~~record carrier on which there is recorded an of claim 19, further comprising a fixed data area and a rewritable data area, in which the authorization status list as produced by the method of claim 1.~~ is recorded in the fixed data area.

21. (currently amended) The record carrier of claim ~~20~~, 19, comprising a fixed data area and a rewritable data area, in which the authorization status list is recorded in the rewritable area and a cryptographic summary of the authorization status list is recorded in the fixed data area.

22. (currently amended) ~~The record carrier of claim 20, comprising a fixed data area and a rewritable data area, in which the authorization status list is recorded in the rewritable area and a cryptographic summary of the authorization status list is recorded in the fixed data area~~ A signal embodying an authorization status list as produced by the method of claim 1.